

Kimball City Council
Regular Meeting
November 18, 2014

A regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was convened in open and public session at 7:00 p.m. on November 18, 2014 in the City Council Chambers. Mayor Schnell and Council members Warner, Shields, Morrison and Christensen were present. Also present were City Attorney Hadenfeldt, City Administrator Ortiz, Police Chief Huff, City Treasurer Sisk and City Clerk Russell. The public was represented.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Western Nebraska Observer. Notice of the meeting was given to the members and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is on record at the office of the City Clerk. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the members. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public except as otherwise indicated.

Schnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Schnell acknowledged the posted Open Meetings Act poster.

Schnell opened discussion on the Keno grant application from the Chamber of Commerce. Jennifer Provance, Kimball Banner County Chamber of Commerce President, explained they have requested Keno funds for a number of years to assist with their Christmas promotions. The amount requested of \$650.00 is down from the previous years' request of \$1,000.00. She said in the past they have asked businesses to donate but this year they are not going to do that. Provance commented on the 2014 Christmas season budget.

Christensen said this is a "win-win" for Kimball and this is what Keno funds were meant for. Provance said this helps get the community together and get the Christmas spirit. There being no further discussion. Christensen moved and Shields seconded to approve the Keno grant application from the Chamber of Commerce for \$650.00. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Warner, Shields, Morrison and Christensen. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Schnell opened discussion on the Keno grant application from Shop with a Cop. Chief Huff said they are gearing up again this year to take on Shop with a Cop. This is the 3rd year he has been involved in it and added that law enforcement, emergency services and the community are all involved. Huff is requesting the same amount as previously requested, \$4,500.00. This amount will help to purchase gift cards, assist citizens with utilities and help with the Ladies Auxiliary. Huff said they try to reach out to those that are in need and they work hand in hand with the schools to find out who would best

benefit from this program. Huff would like the funds to help to promote the gift of giving. It is a good program and they hope the council continues to support it. Huff commented on the schedule of events and said the date is tentatively December 13, 2014.

There being no further discussion, Shields moved and Morrison seconded to approve the Keno grant application from Shop with a Copy for \$4,500.00. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Warner, Shields, Morrison and Christensen. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Schnell opened discussion on the Event Center redesign. After speaking with the architect and designers, Ortiz recommended the council look at replacing the existing roof. B & C Steel has inspected the Event Center roof and the estimate for replacing the roof is \$96,034. The difference between this price and the price quoted by Fisher Roofing is due to the labor involved, because the solution that Fisher Roofing proposed is very labor-intensive. Ortiz said the roof would have to be bid to comply with State Statute.

In moving forward with the interior renovations, the goal would be to see what can be cut during the renovations. Christensen inquired if the City would be making the same mistake that was made before and Ortiz commented that Fisher Roofing said that the major issues were not addressed before. If a new roof is installed, it is an investment and the City will not let it go to waste. Ortiz said B & C Steel's quote includes the gutter and downspouts and he said that specific language will be included in the bid documents. Christensen commented on the warranty for future protection and Ortiz said this will be included in the bid documents to include materials and workmanship.

Warner commented on monies involved and Ortiz said the money will come from grants and Keno funds.

There being no further discussion, Christensen moved and Morrison seconded to authorize requesting bids for the Event Center roof and begin the bidding process for renovation and redesign of the Event Center. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Warner, Shields, Morrison and Christensen. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

The City Council reviewed the following items under the consent agenda:

1. Minutes from the November 4, 2014 regular city council meeting;
2. Claims;
3. Financial statements; and
4. Ratify the Kimball Volunteer Fire Department members.

Warner moved and Shields seconded to approve the consent agenda items as presented. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Warner, Shields, Morrison and Christensen. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Ortiz reported he will be attending an ACE and MEAN Board meeting the next two days. MEAN is presenting their budget. The Executive Director has announced his retirement. MEAN's financial situation is not the greatest and Ortiz will find out more details. The City could be looking at \$39,000 to \$47,000 in February to make up for the shortfalls. The City has held back on finalizing the electric rate studies because it needs to be insured that there is some stability before doing calculations based on their calculations.

Ortiz reported there have not been too many issues due to the cold weather; however, there are some inadequate heating systems in some departments.

Ortiz reported the Board of Public Works meeting is next week. The Cemetery Board meeting was not held due to no quorum. There will be discussion of the policies at the next Cemetery Board meeting. The kiosk should be installed in March.

Schnell praised the Civic Class and the Veterans Day ceremony they held. There was a great turnout at the program.

Schnell commented on the Park and Recreation Operating Board meeting held earlier this evening. There was a request to raise an American flag on top of the oil derrick and all would be volunteer and donated funding.

Schnell reported the Park and Recreation Executive Board meeting for November 25, 2014 is cancelled. A negotiating committee was formed to negotiate with the proposer for the management at the Golf Course Pro Shop. The agreement will be presented to the Executive Board and the meeting is tentatively planned for December 16, 2014.

The next City Council meeting will be on December 2, 2014.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Christensen moved and Shields seconded to adjourn at 7:29 p.m. On roll call vote, the following votes were recorded on the electronic voting board. Aye: Warner, Shields, Morrison and Christensen. Nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

James Schnell, Mayor

Rosemarie D. Russell, City Clerk

City of Kimball-City Council General Claims-November 18, 2014-GreatAmerica Financial Services-Lease-193.62; A & L Sales and Service-Maintenance-1,318.19; ALSCO-Supplies-120.05; Affordable Tree-Tree Removal-575.00; Amazon-Supplies-183.64; Arnold Pool Company-Pressure Test-1,489.00; Baker & Taylor Books-Book Purchase-286.05; Sheryl Biesecker-Contract Cleaning-330.00; Center Point Large Print-Book Purchase-254.04; CenturyLink-Telephone-132.37; CenturyLink-Telephone-88.40; CenturyLink-Telephone-516.87; Charter Communications-Internet-223.00; Connecting Point-Copy Usage-55.26; Croell Redi-Mix-Concrete-2,185.75; Dollar

General Corporation-Supplies-43.75; EBSCO Subscription Services-Subscriptions-926.89; Frenchman Valley Coop-Fuel-1,897.41; Gale/Cengage Learning-Book Purchase-46.48; High West Energy-Utilities-1,709.01; Hinton's Lock & Alarm-Cards-397.73; Hometown Hardware-Supplies-17.54; Ideal Linen Supply, Inc.-Supplies-138.13; Intralinks, Inc.-Computer Support-592.86; Kimball Auto Parts-Parts-260.96; Kimball County Register of Deeds-Recording Fees-10.00; Kimball Insurance-Bond-125.00; Kimball Service Center-Tire Repair-15.00; MicroMarketing, LLC-Supplies-400.22; Napa Auto Parts-Parts-613.36; Nebraska Municipal Clerks' Association-Dues-50.00; Nebraska Salt & Grain Co.-Salt-1,802.89; Panhandle Coop-Tank Rental-65.00; Panhandle Coop Association-Supplies-125.07; Pepsi-Cola of Western Nebraska-Pepsi Products-345.90; Prestige MFG.-Welding-2,729.05; Robinson Electric-Labor-3,500.00; Shopko Stores Operating Co.-Supplies-97.91; Simmons Olsen Law Firm, P.C.-Professional Services-3,092.00; Star-Herald Newspaper-Advertising-460.00; Sysco Denver, Inc.-Supplies-2,822.94; The Right Impression-Supplies-79.90; United States Welding, Inc.-Lease-166.57; Viaero-Cell Phone Usage- 32.28; Visa-Firstier Bank-Charges-4,247.94; WPCI-Screening-30.00; Chad Wise-Credit Cards-214.50; Xerox Corporation -Maintenance-157.30.

City of Kimball-Economic Development-Claims-November 18, 2014-CenturyLink-Telephone-60.91; Charter Communications-Internet-39.75; Connecting Point-Copy Usage-1.42; Simmons Olsen Law Firms, P.C.-Professional Service-180.00; Viaero-Cell Phone-32.28; Visa-Firstier Bank-Charges-75.82.